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Docket No.: VALEA 3.3-032

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In re Patent Application of: :  
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Application No.: 10/594,869 : Group Art Unit: 3656  
Filed: December 7, 2007 : Examiner: M. A. Johnson  
For: ELECTRIC ACTUATOR :  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1, 10, 12-17, and 19-21, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: